

LANGSTONE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Date: 9th March 2020 In attendance Ms H K Jones (Clerk)
Time: 7.00pm
Venue: Kennett Room
Langstone Village Hall

FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Present Cllr J Ford (Chair) In attendance Ms H K Jones (Clerk)
Cllr C Bryant
Cllr Powell Apologies Cllr L Humphries

- 19/186 Apologies: Cllr Humphries.
19/187 Declarations of interests: None
19/188 The Committee accepted the accounts for February 2020:
(i) Receipts/Payments listing
(ii) Monthly bank statements and reconciliation

Table with 3 columns: Description, Date, Amount. Title: Unity Trust Current Account. Rows: Opening Balance (1st Feb 2020, 26,190.16), Closing Balance (29th Feb 2020, 28,850.98)

19/189 The Committee noted and approved the following receipts:

Table with 5 columns: Method, Date, Payee, Description, Amount. Rows: BACS 27/02/20 NCC Park Inspections allocation 4,680.00; BACS 27/02/20 NCC Park repairs allocation 3,000.00

19/190 The Committee noted and approved the following payments made:

Table with 5 columns: Method, Date, Payee, Description, Amount. Rows: DD 10/02/20 Lloyds Corporate Card Various 113.98; BACS 20/02/20 Cllr R Hollister Councillor Remuneration 69.67; DD 27/02/20 Rombourne Office Rent 665.41

19/191 The Committee authorised the following payments:

Table with 4 columns: Method, Payee, Description, Amount. Rows: BACS Office Depot Postage stamps & stationery 53.14; BACS One Voice Wales Membership fee 485.00; BACS NCC Playpark inspections 5,616.00; SO Microshade Citrix Hosting 57.54; BACS One Voice Wales Councillor Training (JF & RH) 80.00

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Present Cllr M Griffiths (Chair) Apologies None
Cllr R Hollister
Cllr L Duthie Absent Cllr H Rocker

- 19/192 Apologies - None
19/193 The Committee noted that no planning applications were dealt with by the Clerk using delegated authority

19/194 The Council considered the following planning applications:

Ref	Address	Application	Outcome
20/0095	Walton House, Chepstow Road, Newport NP18 2JP	Proposed first floor side extension, single storey side and rear extension, porch, extension to basement, creation of light well, loft conversion with rear dormer, new vehicular access, gates and driveway with associated external landscaping	No objection
20/0086	Seymour Cottage, Caerlicken Lane, Langstone, Newport NP18 2JZ	Proposed two storey side and front extension and new front porch (resubmission of 19/0007)	No objection
20/0119	Sunnyside Nurseries, Chepstow Road, Newport NP18 2JN	Proposed log cabin outbuilding for use as delicatessen	Concerns re traffic management plan and adequacy of on-site parking

ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Present Cllr C Bryant (Chair)
 Cllr J Ford
 Cllr L Duthie
 Cllr M Griffiths
 Cllr R Hollister
 Cllr S Powell
 Cllr L Aherne

Apologies Cllr L Humphries

Absent Cllr H Rocker

19/195 Chairman’s address - The Chairman welcomed Cllr Stephen Powell to the Council.

19/196 Apologies were received from Cllr Humphries

19/197 Declarations of interests: None

19/198 Minutes

The minutes of the Ordinary and Committee meetings held on 10th February were approved. The Clerk’s Report was approved for appending to the minutes of 10th February.

19/199 Public Participation

Topics discussed:

- Off-road quad-bikes and motor-bikes in Wentwood Forest
- Bollard damaged and removed from outside Britannia Motors
- Traffic speeds

Cllr Bryant offered to speak to City Cllr Routley regarding progress and options for tackling these issues. Cllr Hollister agreed to speak to local police about the issues. **ACTION CB/RH**

19/200 City Councillors

Apologies were received from Cllr Routley.

19/201 Co-option of new councillors

The Chairman requested a paper vote as per Standing Orders. The Council resolved to co-opt Lorna Aherne who signed her acceptance of office form and joined the Council. Committees to be assigned at the May Annual Meeting.

19/202 Local Projects

- i) The Council resolved to apply for funding for Local Places for Nature (Keep Wales Tidy) and to set up a wildlife garden at Langstone Primary School if the Head approved the project. The Chairman agreed to speak to the Head Teacher. **ACTION CB**
- ii) The Council resolved to purchase British wildflower seeds for Llandevaud Common **ACTION CB**

19/203 Finance

- iii) The Council received a copy of the budget for 2020-21 and noted the budget outturn report for the year to date.
- iv) The Council resolved to increase the litter-picking budget by £500 to allow for a meeting this year plus the purchase of hi-vis winter coats.
- v) The Council resolved to renew its membership of One Voice Wales for 2020-21.
- vi) The Council resolved not to donate funding to Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod.

19/204 Events – Plans were well in hand for:

21st March	60s night
5th April	Children's Easter Party
8th May	VE Day Afternoon Tea

19/205 Reports

- i) **Police Liaison (RH)** – There had been 21 crimes in the area in January. Most of these were domestic incidents. To put this in perspective, Newport City Centre had 313 crimes.
- ii) **Road Safety & Community Speedwatch (MG)** – Cllr Griffiths planned to contact the police and Mr Lloyd re Community Speedwatch with a view to re-starting the scheme once the weather improved. A campaign was needed to try to get the A48 speed limit reduced and to install a pelican crossing. **Action MG**
- iii) **Environment [Litter/dog-fouling/planters] (JF/RH/CB)** – A meeting was planned for litter pickers on 12th March. Press releases were to be issued to Community First and The Argus. NCC to be contacted re litter on Catsash Road behind Celtic Manor. New winter coats had been issued to most litter pickers.
- iv) **Play Parks (CB/RH/SP)** – Some fence panels in CF had been damaged. Ground wet and soggy so not many children using the parks.
- v) **One Voice Wales (CB)** – No meeting
- vi) **Langstone Primary School (CB)** – No meeting
- vii) **Langstone Village Hall (JF)** – External doors completed and keys distributed. Invoicing to be monthly in arrears in future. New chairs had been purchased. LED lighting to be installed in April. Kitchen refurbishment to be completed this summer and funded by S106 money. External painting to take place once weather improves.
- viii) **NCC Liaison (JF)** – Next meeting 19th March.
- ix) **Newport Third Sector Partnership / One Newport partnership (JF)** – Cllr Ford gave an update on meetings and had written articles for Community First.

19/206 Training

- i) The Council noted the attendance of JF & RH at “The Councillor” training at Usk on 26 Feb
- ii) Code of Conduct training to be booked for Cllrs Aherne, Hollister and prospective Cllr Wintle in Usk on 29th April and for Cllr Griffiths in Undy in July.

19/207 Items for inclusion in next agenda – Clerk to invite representative from Celtic Manor to attend a meeting to discuss new hotel, particularly traffic management, parking and height of building.

19/208 Date of next meeting – 11th May 2010

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at 21:30

CLERK'S REPORT appended to minutes for 9th March 2020					
Clerk's Actions					
Ref	Date	Action		Update	Status
19/177	10/02/20	Install 2 post-mounted litter bins at Llanmartin bus-stops		Request sent to NCC	On-going
Councillors' Actions					
Ref	Date	Action	Who	Update	Status
18/172	14/01/19	Set up online access to bank account	LH		
18/213	11/03/19	Draft a training plan for Councillors	LH		
19/199	09/03/20	Speak to Cllr Routley re off-bikes in Wentwood Forest and road safety (speed limit / pelican crossing)	CB		
19/199	09/03/20	Speak to Police re off-bikes in Wentwood	RH		
19/202	09/03/20	Speak to Head Teacher re wildlife garden at school	CB		
19/202	09/03/20	Purchase British wildflower seeds for Llandevaud Common	CB		
19/205	09/03/20	Contact Police and Mr Lloyd re Community Speedwatch	MG		